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Amendment

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To: Subst. House Bill No. 5102

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"An Act Proposing Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform For State-Wide Constitutional Offices And General Assembly Offices."

- 1 After line 1785 add the following:
- 2 "Sec. 40. Subsections (d) and (e) of section 9-3330 of the general statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
 - (d) A political committee organized by a business entity shall not make a contribution or contributions to or for the benefit of any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or any candidate's campaign for election to the office of: (1) Governor; [, in excess of five thousand dollars;] (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General; [, in excess of three thousand dollars;] (3) sheriff; [, in excess of two thousand dollars;] (4) state senator, probate judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough; [, in excess of one thousand dollars;] (5) state representative; [, in excess of five hundred dollars;] or (6) any other office of a municipality not included in subdivision (4) of this subsection. [, in

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excess of two hundred fifty dollars; or an exploratory committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately to primaries and elections and contributions by any such committee to candidates designated in this subsection shall not exceed one hundred thousand dollars in the aggregate for any single election and primary preliminary thereto. Contributions to such committees shall also be subject to the provisions of section 9-333t in the case of committees formed for ongoing political activity or section 9-333u in the case of committees formed for a single election or primary.]

- (e) A political committee organized by a business entity may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, another political committee organized by a business entity or to a party committee. No political committee organized by a business entity shall make a contribution to an exploratory committee. [in excess of two hundred fifty dollars.] No such political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to any other kind of political committee, in any one calendar year if organized for ongoing political activities, or if formed for a single primary, election or referendum, with respect to such primary, election or referendum.
- Sec. 41. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- (a) No political committee established by an organization shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or for election to the office of: (1) Governor; [, in excess of two thousand five hundred dollars;] (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General; [, in excess of one thousand five hundred dollars;] (3) sheriff or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough; [, in excess of one thousand dollars;] (4) state senator or probate judge; [, in excess of five hundred dollars;] or (5) state representative or any other office of a municipality not previously included in this subsection. [, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars.]

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(b) No such committee shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit of, an exploratory committee. [, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars.] Any such committee may make unlimited contributions to a political committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question.

- [(c) The limits imposed by subsection (a) of this section shall apply separately to primaries and elections and no such committee shall make contributions to the candidates designated in this section which in the aggregate exceed fifty thousand dollars for any single election and primary preliminary thereto.]
- [(d)] (c) No political committee established by an organization shall make contributions in any one calendar year to, or for the benefit of, (1) the state central committee of a political party, in excess of five thousand dollars; (2) a town committee, in excess of one thousand dollars; or (3) any political committee, other than an exploratory committee or a committee formed solely to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, in excess of two thousand dollars.
- [(e)] (d) No political committee established by an organization shall make contributions to the committees designated in subsection [(d)] (c) of this section, which in the aggregate exceed fifteen thousand dollars in any one calendar year. Contributions to a political committee established by an organization shall also be subject to the provisions of section 9-333t in the case of a committee formed for ongoing political activity or section 9-333u in the case of a committee formed for a single election or primary."